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NOTE ON BIRD SIGHTING IN NEBRASKA

Black-throated Blue Warbler. I saw this bird in our yard (James Ranch, Fort Robinson State Park, Sioux Co.) between October 10 and 13, 1993. It had a black face and throat, blue-gray head, back, and tail, with white patches on its wings. I used the Golden Field Guide to Birds of North America, and the Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Birds to identify it. It did not seem to be disturbed by my presence (5 to 10 feet away), but moved about very rapidly. It was with a bird tentatively identified as an immature Yellow-rumped Warbler, and was also sometimes seen at the same time as an immature Yellow-bellied Sapsucker. On October 8, we had 14" snow and temperatures down to the lower 20's (F). The temperature was close to 50° on Oct. 9 and 10, but the ground was still mostly snow-covered. I photographed the Black-throated Blue Warbler in our maple tree, lilac bush, and on the house roof. It seemed to be hunting for insects in these places.

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[Ed. Photos have been sent to the Records Committee.]